The grace and peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with all of you.

On behalf of St. Patrick’s Parish, I joyfully welcome you. Our hope is all who come to St. Patrick’s will know the love of Christ. By God’s mercy, and the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary and our patron St. Patrick, you will truly encounter the risen Lord and experience the Joy of the Gospel.

If you would like more information about our parish, please visit our website at www.StPatsSonora.org. If you are new to the area, we encourage you to request a new member packet. I would like to meet all of you. I am available for appointments. Please call me at (209) 532-7139 ext. 112 or email frsam@stpatssonora.org. God bless.

In Christ, Fr. Sam West, Pastor
The fearful Gospel Reading says that there is an unforgiveable sin. What is that?

To see the answer, consider the Psalm: out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord! If you, O LORD, mark iniquities, LORD, who can stand? Who doesn’t feel this way about his sins? And now notice how the Psalm continues: But with you is forgiveness, that you may be revered—or, as another translation has it, that you may be feared. Why think that God forgives your sins so that you might revere or fear him? Wouldn’t it be more true to say that you fear God because you worry about your sins? Wouldn’t you fear that if you faced God, your sins would just seem worse because you would see them in the light of God’s holiness?

And yet look what the Psalm says: there is forgiveness with God! God’s forgiveness can gentle you into a surrender to God’s love, can’t it? If God himself loves you and forgives your sins, then wouldn’t you love God and want to cleave to him? And so the Psalmist is right: there is forgiveness of your sins with God so that you might fear God—not with a fear of God’s punishing or forsaking you, but just with a fear of your own turning away from the Lord who forgives you.

But, then, if God forgives you so that you might fear him, what sin of yours is unforgiveable?
You can see the answer for yourself now, can’t you?
What happens if when God forgives you, you turn away from him instead of cleaving to him and fearing him? If you turn away from God even when God forgives you, then there is nothing left that God can do for you, is there? The gift of God’s forgiveness is there for you. But if you won’t open to receive it, then even God can’t give it. And what does a refusal to accept God’s forgiveness come to except a refusal to believe that the love and forgiveness of God are there, there for you too? In effect, a refusal of God’s forgiveness is a rejection of God as love.

And so the unforgiveable sin is a permanent refusal to accept God’s forgiveness. But that refusal really is blasphemous against the Spirit of God, isn’t it? What does Scripture say? God is Love. (1 John 4: 7-8)

Eleanor Stump

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The Franciscan Poor of Jesus Christ will be at St. Patrick’s next weekend, June 16-17, selling handmade rosaries after all Masses.

We, the Franciscans Poor of Jesus Christ, impelled by the Holy Spirit to preserve and to fulfill the words of Jesus, go out to the poor wherever they may be. In our street ministries, we go to the street, under bridges, parks, anywhere that we may have the opportunity to talk, pray, and also spend time in a more concrete form, by cutting hair, trimming beards, and giving first aid. We also shelter our homeless brothers and sisters in our mission house that we call “House of Passage,” where they are sheltered with dignity as children of God. They receive clean clothes, take showers, and have a hot meal. In the Los Angeles area, we serve around 200 souls who are living in Skid Row. To maintain our ministry we sell handmade rosaries. We will be selling our rosaries at your church on June 16-17 after Mass. Come and take a look, or just stop by to say hi. *We only accept check or cash.

“For I was hungry and you gave me to eat. Thirsty and you gave me drink, homeless and you gave me shelter.” (Matthew 25:35)
For more information: www.franciscanspjc.org
11:00 am Mass at Pinecrest Lake
Picnic after Mass

Food ~ Fun ~ Fellowship!

- Mass at 11:00 in the Movie Amphitheater.
- Picnic after Mass! We have reserved 2 picnic spots in the Day Use Area, “Fir” and “Pine”.
- Hamburgers & hot dogs, paper plates and plastic utensils will be provided by the Parish.
- Parking is not reserved—please park in the large lot and walk to the Day Use Area, or at the Commercial Center and take the shuttle to the lake.
- Please bring your own camping chairs, blankets, sunscreen, games, and beverages.
- Please bring a side dish or dessert to share.
- Pets are not allowed in the Day Use Area during the summer months.
- Please call the Parish Office to let us know you are attending, so we can have an accurate count.

Don’t miss this wonderful day!
Enjoy God’s beautiful creation with your fellow parishioners.
Please Pray for the Sick in our Parish, and their family members.

Tete Arellano
Catherine Bentz
Al Biedrzycki
Beverly Brainard
Carolyn Bruning
Jan Buck
Phil Fish
Vern & Jo Froehlich
Mitch & Patti Gerner
Bill Gookin
Ed Hall
Joan Holland
A. J. Holmes
Fred Kahl

Jeanne Kiely
Bill & Rolene Kiesling
Kristine Kitamura
Lois Marzocchi
Dorothy McCargar
Maria Negrete
Pat Newton
Barbara North
Lee O’Shaughnessy
Sam Park
Joseph Perez
Jackie Sample
Mike Schirmer
Clay Sweeney

To add or remove a name from this list or the prayer chain, please contact Sandy Pallante at 532-7625.

Mini-Retreat
A Day with the Carmelites: Come and Pray

When: Saturday, June 23
8:30 am to 1:00 pm

Where: Our Lady of Fatima Parish
Old Hall, 505 W. Granger Ave.
Modesto, CA 95350

Cost: Free will offering
Guest Speaker: Father Matthew Williams, OCD
The day will include teaching and practice of prayer, focusing on Lectio Divina and fellowship. Lunch will be provided. Sponsored by the Modesto Community of the Secular Order of Discalced Carmelites.

Pre-registration required by June 10
To register:
Online: www.ocdsmodesto.com/events
Email: modestosecularcarmelites@gmail.com
Mail: Carmelites, PO Box 805, Linden, CA 95326
Phone: 209-639-8975

Spiritual Direction at Saint Patrick’s Catholic Church

Spiritual Directors are trained companions who join a seeker on his/her spiritual journey and help in the discernment of where God’s spirit is leading.

The following members of St. Patrick’s Catholic Church have been trained as Spiritual Directors through the Institute for Catholic Spirituality & Spiritual Direction, and are available to the faith community.

If interested in learning more, contact any one of the following:
† Cynthia Dragun: (805) 490-6147
† Barbara Fish: (209) 743-8919
† Carol Gabbert: (775) 771-6297
† Connie Jacob: (209) 591-7978
† Christina Welch: (541) 447-7998

Baby Bottle Boomerang!
Ends Father’s Day weekend, June 16-17!
Please bring your baby bottle bank, filled with coins and cash, to church next weekend.

All proceeds benefit the Foothill Pregnancy Center.
Thank you for promoting the sanctity of human life!

Liturgical Ministers
Attention all Lectors, EMHC, Altar Servers, and Ushers:
If there are any dates you are NOT available to minister during the 3rd Quarter of 2018 (July - August - September), please let Sandra Betti know by Monday, June 11th. Please call 532-7139, ext. 109, or email your information to sandra@stpatssonora.org, or leave a note in the office.
Thank you for your ministry!
For regularly scheduled meetings, please check the Master Calendar at www.stpatssonora.org. If you have calendar requests or need to make changes to your current calendared items, please email ron@stpatssonora.org.

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**Friday:** 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-16; Ps 27:7-9abc, 13-14; Mt 5:27-32

**Saturday:** 1 Kgs 19:19-21; Ps 16:1b-2a, 5, 7-10; Mt 5:33-37

**Sunday:** Ez 17:22-24; Ps 92:2-3, 13-16; 2 Cor 5:6-10; Mk 4:26-34

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**“Actions speak louder than words; let your words teach and your actions speak.”**

--St. Anthony of Padua

**Upcoming Events ~ Save the Date**

**Saturday June 9 ~ Sunday June 17**

**Saturday**
- 5:00 pm Ken Francek

**Sunday**
- 7:30 am All Parishioners
  - Eileen Hogan, Healing
  - Tony Pallante
- 9:00 am Hezzy Arellano
  - Marty & Gina Minners, Happy Anniversary!
- 11:00 am Janet Hart, Healing
  - Jeanne Kiely, Healing
- 5:00 pm Lupe Diaz
  - Stephanie & Samantha Guerrero, Happy Birthday!

We say the rosary after each 8:00 am weekday Mass.

**Monday**
- 8:00 am Laura Elken, Healing

**Tuesday**
- 8:00 am Alicia Diaz

**Wednesday**
- 8:00 am Naida Pavlakovick
  - Dr. Walter Healy, Healing

**Thursday**
- 8:00 am No Intentions

**Friday**
- 8:00 am Jack McCoy

**Saturday**
- 5:00 pm La Vonne & Jack Woodcock
  - Ed Dunne

**Sunday**
- 7:30 am All Parishioners
  - Leno Fletcher & John Michael
  - Tony Pallante
- 9:00 am Deceased Members of the YLI
  - Frank Dillon, Jr.
- 11:00 am Naida Pavlakovick
  - Joseph Charles Cowan
- 5:00 pm Lupe Diaz
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Parish Services: St. Pat’s $948, OLMC $93

Thank you for your continued and generous offerings!